

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection reports cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, this tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; and

**WHEREAS**, founded nearly twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children Inc., and sister organization, Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Nationwide Children's Hospital: Department of Pediatric; Division of Hematology, Oncology and Bone Marrow Transplants in Columbus, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; Cancer and Blood Diseases Institute, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, through its uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection distributes thousands of beautifully handmade caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery and/or radiation treatments; and

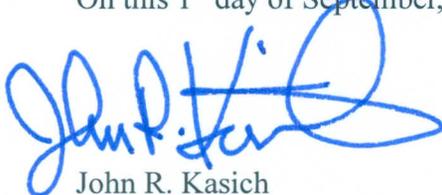
**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby designate September 2011 as

**CHILDHOOD CANCER  
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and I encourage all Ohioans to participate in celebrations honoring the determination and bravery of children battling against childhood cancer

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2011;



John R. Kasich  
Governor

